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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Takefumi OGUMA

Serial No.: 09/963,531

Group Art Unit: 2633

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Examiner: Singh, Dalzid E.

For: OUTPUT MONITOR/CONTROL APPARATUS AND OPTICAL
COMMUNICATION SYSTEM

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

**RESPONSE TO FIRST OFFICE ACTION AND
RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 4, 2005, please consider the following:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.